

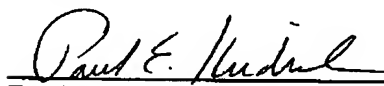
Remarks and Arguments

Applicants' attorney thanks the examiner for her time during telephone conversations on July 29, 2005; August 1, 2005 and August 2, 2005. During those conversations obviousness-type double patenting rejections of the present application over a prior patent and several other pending applications were discussed. In response, a terminal disclaimer is attached in order to overcome these rejections.

In addition, a potential rejection of claims 1 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. §101 as drawn to non-statutory subject matter was also discussed. Claim 1 has been amended to point out that the recited method is computer implemented. Claim 17 has been amended to recite that the computer-usable medium is "tangible" and contains code that is executable by a computer. It is believed that these amendments place the claims into forms that satisfy 35 U.S.C. §101.

In light of the forgoing amendments and remarks, this application is now believed in condition for allowance and a notice of allowance is earnestly solicited. If the examiner has any further questions regarding this amendment, she is invited to call applicants' attorney at the number listed below. The examiner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including the fee for the terminal disclaimer, or direct any payment under 37 C.F.R. §§1.17, 1.16 to Deposit Account number 02-3038.

Respectfully submitted


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